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In re application of:
Clague P. Hodgson **DECISION ON PETITION**
Serial No.: 09/934,113
Filed: August 21, 2001
For: VECTORS FOR GENE TRANSFER

This is a decision on the petition received on January 21, 2003, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to Comply with Sequence Requirements mailed August 13, 2001. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned October 16, 2001. The Notice of Abandonment was mailed on December 2, 2002.

On January 21, 2003, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgement that the attorney responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on November 13, 2001.

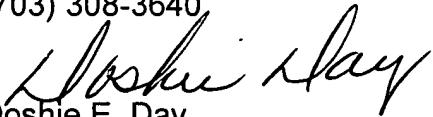
The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on November 13, 2001.

The petition is hereby Granted.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 1633.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

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